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Special Provision for Public Convenience and Safety

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This special provision was developed by the Bureau of Design and Environment in an effort to minimize motorist costs and inconvenience.

This special provision shall be included on all projects an Average Daily Traffic of 25,000 or more. A Traffic Capacity Analysis and a Queuing Analysis should still be performed on all roadways with an ADT of 25,000 or greater. If it is determined that the ADT on the weekend is lower than during the week, it may be beneficial to allow or require work on the weekends. In these cases contracts should contain specifications to allow such work. Projects with less than 25,000 ADT but with still relatively high volumes, especially interstates, shall also have a Traffic Capacity Analysis and a Queuing Analysis completed to evaluate the possible benefit of prohibiting weekend lane closures. The design plans coversheet shall show the ADT when it exceeds 25,000.

The Central Bureau will insert this Special Provision for lettings prior to the April 28, 2000 letting. The districts should include the BDE Check Sheet with the applicable BDE Special Provisions for the April 28,2000 and subsequent lettings. The Project Development and Implementation Section will include the paper copy in the contract.

This special provision will be transferred through the E-mail System to the district offices on January 19, 2000.

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PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND SAFETY (BDE)

Effective: January 1, 2000

Add the following paragraph after the fourth paragraph of Article 107.09 of the Standard Specifications:

“On weekends, excluding holidays, roadways with Average Daily Traffic of 25,000 or greater, all lanes shall be open to traffic from 3:00 P.M. Friday to midnight Sunday except where structure construction or major rehabilitation makes it impractical.”

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